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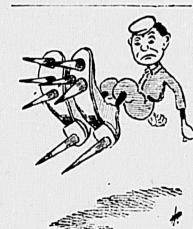
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JURY FINDS BARKER GUILTY.

GIANTS BRACE UP; PLAY GOOD BAL

New Yorks Get Batting Streak in Fifth Inning and Even Up the Score.



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POLO GROUNDS, June 21.-Manager George Davis, acting under instructions from his physicians, was compelled to disappoint the fans again to-day. The learned practitioner who looks after the physical welfare of the leader of the Giants made his patient promise this morning that he will not "don the span-

To-day Davis will try to pull his ratbench. He had a heart to heart talk 12.35 o'clock this afternoon. with his ballooning and toboganning The explosion was caused by the igyoung men. Ballooning and toboggan- niting of a quantity of fireworks in the recent performance of the young bloods who awake the sleeping fans of this big town by winning a long string of games in sensational style earlier in

Giants Have Been Soaring.

The Giants have been very much up in the air of late, particularly since Seventeen families lived in the tenetheir aerial stunts naturally give them a fair start on the journey dreaded by all ball tossers and managers-a trip down the toboggan chute. The burden of Davis's conversation with his erst while hustlers was a lecture on the necessity of keeping gingered up at all

stages of the game.
"If we keep on playing dopey ball and lose two or three more games we will be in the second division instead of second place," said Davis. "We've made enough muffs in the past two weeks to last a Thus League team of mients half a season."

Put Up Sharp Practice. Under the watchful eye of their man-

ager the Polo Grounds team put more life in their practice than they have shown for some days. Sammy Strang. whose performance in the short field looked like a good imitation of an amateur's first efforts to shine on the diawarmed up at the third sack, and Charley Hickman, he of the bulky

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HOUSE EXPLOSION.

Paterson (N. J.) Tenement Blown Up and Victims in Wreck---Twenty Injured.

(Special to The Evening World.) PATERSON, N. J., June 21 .- Two police patrols were called out. lives are known to have been lost, twenty persons seriously injured and seven tled men into winning form from a are missing as the result of an explosion point of vantage on the end of the near the business centre of the city at Soder, two schoolboys, were in the store

ing sound paradoxical, but it describes the store of Jacob Rittenberg, at No. 400 Main street, in the Walker Building. The fireworks had been recently unpacked to be placed on sale for the

Fourth of July. Above the store kept by Mr. Rittenberg were several apartments. the explosion occurred the whole building at once became a flery furnace.

the firemen were fighting the blaze, and

persons passing. All the ambulances and How the explosion occurred is not known.

It is said, however, that Ariens and examining fireworks and that an explosion followed.

Charles Slingland was badly burned about the head. L Bamberg was cut and burned; young Ariens was cut

and burned; young Ariens was cut about the head, as was also Soder, his companion, and Nicholas Hillman.

Mrs. Dougherty, who is reported to be missing, and also Albert Bamberg, lived in apartments above the store.

It is feared that several bodies will be found when the ruins are removed. The Rittenbach children were last seen in the rear of the store, and it is supposed it was impossible for them to escape.

seventeen families lived in the tenement.

The Known Dead.

The dead are:
CHARLES WILLIAMS, killed by falling roof.
MRS. CHARLES WILLIAMS, jumped from third-story window.

The Injured.

Among the injured, all of whom were taken to the Paterson Hospital, are:
Mr. and Mrs. William Jessup. Charles Slingland, I. Bamberg, John Arieas, Nicholas Hillman and George Soder.

The Missing.

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Those reperced missing are: Mrs. Anna Dougherty, Mrs. Albert Bamberg and her baby boy, Mrs. Adamson, Mrs. Zimmer and Hurold and Annie Rittenberg.

Gallant work was done by the firemen, who saved several lives, but the building was utterly demolished.

The walls fell into the atreet while the firemen were fightling the blaze, and saved several content way.

soveral were injured.

Nows of the explosion spread quickly and throngs from all parts of the city congregated at the place.

Several of the injured were taken to the hospital in private conveyances of the place.

Wife of Rev. Keller's Assailant Received News of His Conviction at Her Home---Placed Under \$10,000 Bail and Likely to Be Sentenced Thursday Next.

Thomas G. Barker, who shot Rev. John Keller, of Arlington, N. J., was found guilty this afternoon of the crime as charged in the indictment, the penalty of which is seven years' imprisonment. Mrs. Barker, in a highly nervous condition, left the court at the end of the Judge's

charge, and was escorted by a friend to her home in Arlington. When the news of the verdict was conveyed to her she collapsed. Notice of application for a new trial was served by his lawyers, and pending the arguments Barker's bail was fixed at \$10,000. Unless ample cause for retrial is shown

on next Thursday, Judge Blair will pass sentence. "The verdict is in keeping with the evidence," said Judge Blair. "The question

was, Did Barker shoot Keller, and, if he did, was he insane at the time? "The evidence shows that he was not insane and that he did shoot Keller. I

Barker was astounded at the verdict and said he couldn't conceive how the jury reached it.

Prosecutor Erwin says he has no fear of a retrial.

Barker was taken to the Hudson County Jail followed by a large crowd. Barker's friends will hold a meeting to-night for the purpose of raising bail, and his lawyers hope to have him out of jail to-morrow.



WHAT BARKER SAID WHEN HE HEARD THE VERDICT.

THOMAS G. BARKER

"I DON'T WANT TO CRITICISE THE JURY, I SUPPOSE THEY

DID THEIR DUTY AS THEY THOUGHT. "I BELIEVE THERE IS NOT A MAN ON THAT JURY WHO WOULD NOT HAVE SHOT DOWN KELLER HAD HE WRONGED THEIR WIVES AS HE DID MINE."

OPINIONS OF

uld render such a verdict. "I say now that had my wife told me

Marshall Van Winkle, Barker's law-

er, said:
"I am not surprised at the verdict. I am never surprised at any verdict ranted by a struck jury.
"I can't see how a home-loving man

the story that Barker's wife told to him THE COUNSEL. dog." Prosecutor Erwin said:

done. An attoclous crime was committed and the perpetrator of it has been properly convicted.
"I have no fear of an appeal."

Details of the trial and the Judge's charge are reported

BARKER PALED AT THE VERDICT.

Barker looked anxiously at the jury is they filed in and nerved himself to hear the verdict. When it was eroounced he started and paled.

Barker was taken to jail, and locked

Immediately after the announcement of the verdict Lawyer Van Winkle notified the Court that he would move for a new trial. • He thereupon asked the Court to

up, by two constables.

suspend sentence until he could procure the necessary papers. Julge Blair said he would grant the

request and fixed ball at \$10,000. Constable Weiss slapped Barker on the shoulder and he rose to his feet with a spasmodic motion. Weiss led his prisoner through the crowd out of the court room, Barker looking straight in front

of him, with his jaws firmly set. They then went down the stairs and to the prison, followed by a large crowd. It is the custom to rentence prisoners on Thursday in Hudson County, and unless this rule is changed he will re-

main in jail until next Thursday. Judge Blair said he would sentence Barker next Thursday unless he can show good reasons why he should not be sentenced on that day.

There is to be a meeting of Barker's riends to-night to raise the increased amount of ball and Mr. Van Winkle expects to have him released to-morrow. Mr. Keller was not in court when the Judge's charge was read, although the Barker party were early in their scats. The accused man and his wife had frequent whispered conversations. Barker shook his head several times as though to his mind he was being quoted in-correctly. Mrs. Barker appeared wor-

correctly. Mrs. Barker appeared worried.
In fact Barker's testimons when read
didn't sound like the description of the
actions of a man demented.

Mrs. Barker became so nervous after
the jury had retired that she was unable to remain in the court-room. Leaning on the arm of her friend Miss Germond she left the court-house. Barker
watched her until she had docupted
during the trial.

Into the seat that his wife had used
stipped a deputy sheriff. Barker
greatly agitated. He pulled at his matache continually and globules of
papiration stood out on the back of the
hands.

WEATHER FORECAST.

what warmer to-night and Saturday; light to from south to southwest winds. 1 south to spetitive the man

REV. JOHN KELLER DENIES MRS. BARKER'S CHARGE.

Rev. John Keller made this statement to The Evening World this afternoon, after the jury had declared Thomas G. Barker guilty: "I learned of the publication in several newspa-

pers of the statement of Mrs. Barker as to an alleged wrong by me upon her. "It is false. I never wronged nor attempted to

wrong, Mrs. Barker. "I now understand that the rules of evidence would not permit my denial under oath in the trial just concluded."